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(4) The Manager of each private temple should send a statement of the income and the expenditure.

(5) Steps must be taken to check the mismanagement of the Trustees in realising the *pattom*, *michavarom* and other taxes.

The Member prayed that a rule might be made and published in the Gazette to carry out the above suggestions.

*Dewan's reply.*—I shall consider the Member's suggestions along with Mr. Kuruvila's petition.

**60. *Restoration of the Sirkar temples.***

*Mr. T. Vasudevan Potti* (Member, Travancore Jenmi Sabha) represented that the condition of the Sirkar temples was lamentable. He urged the necessity for allotting a certain amount of money in the annual budget for the restoration of those which stood in need of repair.

*Dewan.*—This is an important question and I am glad that the Member has brought it up. Government hope to pass early orders defining their policy in the matter.

**61. *Religious services in the Devaswoms.***

*Mr. A. Harihara Aiyar* (Member, Chirayinkil Taluk) stated that a certain *pathivu* had been allotted for each temple *in proportion* to the Sannidhyam of the temple and the God. *Those pathivus* must be observed according to the Sastras. Only if *those pathivus* were maintained intact, the Gods would be pleased ; and only if the Gods were pleased, would the people be happy. Therefore, he urged the necessity and responsibilty of adhering to the *pathivus*. The Member also requested that :

(1) the recommendations of Mr. Ramachandra Rao might be intimated to the Members,

(2) Government should allow the Members to give their opinions after a careful perusal of the recommendations in the report,

(3) Government should pass final orders on that report only after consulting the views of the people, and

(4) the following particulars might be published in the Administration Report : –

(*a*) the receipts, expenditure and balance of the revenue derived from the lands belonging to the Sirkar temples,

(*b*) Nadavaravus in the Devaswoms,

(*c*) expenditure for ceremonies,

(*d*) expenditure for temple servants.

He requested that the above suggestions might be given a fair consideration.

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